

<u>HND</u>	Defense Access Roads
<u>FUNCTIONAL</u>	Highway Systems
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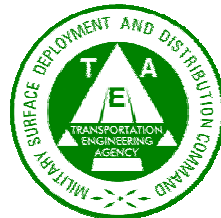
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*SDDCTEA administers the Highways for National Defense (HND) Program. This program ensures defense public highway requirements are being met at the national, state, and local levels.*

*SDDCTEA administers the Defense Access Road (DAR) Program under the HND umbrella. The DAR mission is to provide the means for spending defense dollars on public highway improvements to mitigate unusual defense-generated impacts.*



# Defense Access Road Program



Improving Public  
Highways  
to Meet Defense  
Transportation  
Needs

**PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY:** Public highways in the contiguous United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico that require improvement due to one of the following reasons:

Highway maintenance normally is not eligible

- Defense installations requiring a new access control point (gate);
- Installation growth or change that significantly increases existing off-installation traffic;
- New public highways replacing those closed for military necessity; or
- Upgrade of low-type roads to handle unique defense vehicles.

## **Background**

State and local authorities should develop/maintain public highways to meet normal defense needs.

The DAR Program provides the legal means for DOD to pay its fair share for public highway improvements necessitated by sudden or unusual defense-generated requirements.

The Army's Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC) administers the program for DOD.

DAR partners include the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Army Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management, Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for Installations and Logistics, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, and National Guard Bureau.

## **Funding**

There is no regular "pot" of money available for DAR Program projects.

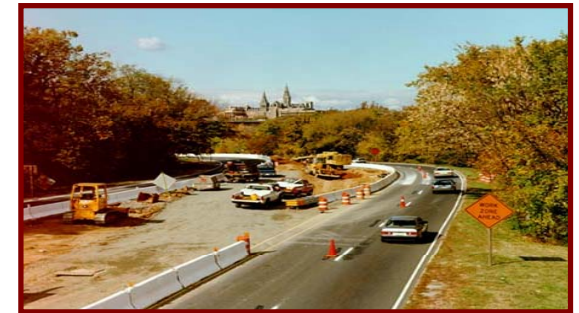
Military Construction (MILCON) funds are specifically budgeted, authorized, and appropriated for justified DAR projects.



SDDC prepares DD Form 1391 for Army DAR requirements. The other Services program and budget their own requirements, in coordination with SDDC.

## **Process**

Installation commanders coordinate their public highway requirements for inclusion in State or local highway improvement programs.



Commanders should pursue DAR assistance if road owners cannot support them. The normal DAR process typically includes:

- Installation DAR Needs Report (per AR 55-80 OPNAVINST 11210.2/AFMAN32-1017)
- Service review and validation
- SDDC eligibility review
- FHWA evaluation
- SDDC eligibility determination and defense share negotiations
- Commander, SDDC, DAR certification (per 23 USC 210)
- Congressional authorization and appropriation of funds
- Transfer of funds to FHWA
- Execution of DAR project

## **References**

23 USC 210    10 USC 114    DODD 4510.11  
AR 55-80/OPNAVINST 11210.2/AFMAN32-1017